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'The laſt *Paris Mercure*, (being that for October) 'has a Journal of M. de Forbin's Voyage from Dunkirk to the Northward; in which he took ſeveral 'Ships of the Engliſh and Dutch Ruſſia Fleets: From 'which Journal we have taken the following Abſtract of the moſt remarkable Particulars.

The Title of it runs thus.

"A particular Relation of the Count de "Forbin's Voyage Northward with a Squadron "of the King's Ships fitted out at Dunkirk, conſiſting of 9 Frigates of from 40 to 56 Guns, "of which one carry'd only Proviſions: After an "Engagement in the Channel, in which he took 2 "Engliſh Men of War of 72 Guns each and 20 Veſſels "that were under their Convoy, on the 13th of "May 1706.

THE 10th of June we ſail'd out of the Road of Dunkirk the ſecond time. We avoided 10 Engliſh Ships that lay to obſerve us without the Sands, by going out at the Weſtern Paſſage. We held on our Courſe without any Occurrence worth meationing till the 16th, when the Wind blowing very freſh at North, brought the Boltſprit and Mizen-Maſt of the Fidel by the Board at once, and kill'd one Man. The 17th the Dauphine giving Notice that ſhe had receiv'd ſome Damage likewiſe by the Weather, M. de Forbin order'd them both to Maeſterland or Gottembourg in Sweden, to repair and ſtay there for him. We were then 20 Leagues to the Northward of the Dogger Bank. The 22d of July at 7 in the Morning we diſcover'd 48 or 50 Ships to the Windward; they were Engliſh convoy'd by 3 large Ships: It fell Calm, and ſo continu'd till 10 a Clock, when the Wind began to freſhen; we tack'd and ſtood towards the ſaid Fleet, having put out Dutch Colours, but when we came up with them forbore falling in among them, becauſe the Blackwall and the Prothee were ſeparated from us in the Chace; and M. de Forbin reſolv'd to endeavour to joyn them before he attack'd the Enemy: At 2 a Clock he made a Signal for the Ships that kept with him, to paſs under his Stern, to receive his Orders for fighting aſſoon as we ſhould be rejoyn'd by the 2 forementiond Ships. We ſaw ſeveral Veſſels that were divided from the reſt and were endeavouring to follow them, but we chac'd and took 11 of them. We drew near to Kilduin, whither we ſuppos'd the Fleet had ſtood in, either to go up the River Kola, or to paſs between the Iſland and the Main Land. In Sight of Kilduin we ſaw 7 Ships to the Windward of us, and they prov'd to be the Blackwall the Prothee and 5 Prizes. At the ſame time we diſcover'd, behind a Point of the Iſland in a little Bay, 4 Ships which prov'd to be Flyboats: They ſtruck their Colours aſſoon as we had hoiſted ours. The 27th we Anchor'd at Kilduin, between the Iſland and the Continent, and continu'd there 12 Days, during all which Time our Crews were not ſuffer'd to be idle. They were emyloy'd to ſcrub the Ships; to fetch in Water and Wood, to take the Proviſions out of the Driade, which was deſign'd to carry to France the Booty of all our Prizes: All the Tackling, Anchors, and Guns, were alſo taken out of thoſe Prizes and put on Board our Ships; after which we burnt all the Veſſels we had taken, except one of the largeſt Flyboats, which M. de Forbin gave with ſome Proviſions to all the Merchants and Seamen our Priſoners, to carry them to England or Archangel.

'Had the Wind been right for us all the Voyage, 'we ſhould have been at Kilduin 3 Weeks ſooner: 'Then we ſhould have had Time to make at our 'Leiſure all neceſſary Preparations, and to range 'our ſelves in a proper order for cruiſing, before 'any Fleet had paſs'd. But our being retarded in our 'Courſe, our being ſeparated from the Blackwall 'and the Prothee, and our being oblig'd to ſend 'away the Fidel and the Dauphine, which are the '2 largeſt Ships of our Squadron, were the mani'feſt Cauſe that we did not take all this Fleet with 'their Convoy.

There are on the Iſland a great Number of Partridges, almoſt all White, and larger than ours. Meſſieurs the Counts de Forbin, de Durtal, d'Illier, and M. de Souſebraſe went a fowling and kill'd many of them. There are likewiſe Rain-deer on the Iſland, which are tame and us'd by the Inhabitants to draw or carry what they have Occaſion for; we kill'd a good Number of them, becauſe we found no other freſh Meat.

The 8th of Auguſt we ſail'd from Kilduin for the North Cape, which is in the Latitude of 71 Degrees 40 Minutes; 40 Leagues diſtant from Wardhuis (of which I ſhall ſpeak by and by,) and 70 from Kilduin, which is the furtheſt Place we went to tho' leſs North; ſo that from thence to go North about, viz. to leave the Iſlands of Fero on the Right, and to paſs by Hitland, the Orcades and St. Kilda, Scotland, Ireland, and England, as we did to come to Breſt, is a Courſe of above 800 Leagues. We ſail'd, as I ſaid, for the North-Cape, there to cruiſe in Expectation of ſome other Fleet.

The 10th M. de Forbin made a Signal for ſpeaking with the Counteſs, a Hamburg Ketch formerly taken, and ſent her away with Letters in Cypher for Maeſterland or Gottembourg, thence to be forwarded to France, and to give Direction to our 2 Ships to rejoyn us at Saggendal or Ceeſond, which are Ports on the Coaſt of Norway.

The 11th at 6 in the Morning we deſcried ſeveral Ships to the Leeward of us; the Weather was foggy, but beginning to clear up about 8, we diſcover'd a Fleet of between 30 and 40 Sail, convoy'd by 3 Ships of from 36 to 40 Guns. We put abroad Engliſh Colours and gave them Chace. At 1 in the Afternoon we took a large Flyboat: About 3 we bore down upon the Fleet, which came from Holland, having all in a Readyneſs for fighting: Between 4 and 5 we were within 3 Leagues of Land, which was the Iſland of Wardhuis. The Driade took 2 Priſes, and others of our Ships took another. The Fleet was between us and the Land, and their Convoys kept on the Outſide, as if they meant to cover them while they paſs'd along the Coaſt: M. de Forbin ſpoke to 2 of our Ships that were near enough to hear, told them he was not come to fight, but to take as many Ships as he could, and that therefore all they had to do was to keep at Hand in Caſe of Need, that he would ſtand in and cut off the Merchantſhips from their Convoys, (who till then ſeem'd deſermin'd to fight) but that he would not attack them unleſs they oppos'd his Deſign. Aſſoon as they ſaw us coming on they made the beſt of their Way forwards, following part of their Fleet that had paſs'd; ſo that all that were between the Land and Us were cut off, and had no other Way left but to put for the Paſſage between the Iſland and the Main Land; Accordingly 14 entred that Paſſage. We durſt not follow them, becauſe our Ships drew more Water than theirs; therefore we mann'd out ſome Boats and ſent them in, with 2 of our lighteſt Ships, the Pilots ſounding as they went, and the reſt of our Ships ſteer'd on the outſide of the Iſland to ſtop the Enemy's Ships from coming out at the other

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End of the Paſſage. Thoſe that entred, as I ſaid, found 14 Flyboats either aground or at Anchor, which they took. Moſt of the Merchants and Seamen had ſav'd themſelves on the Iſland, with what they could carry off of their beſt Effects. The 12th we Anchord at Wardhuis. We ſtaid there 8 Days to unlade 13 of the Flyboats into 4 that were choſen to carry to France the Merchandize that was on board the reſt: The Fleet was more richly laden than that of the Engliſh, and the Booty we took is valued at thrice as much. The Dutch that had ſav'd themſelves on the Iſland, came to us by degrees; and ranſom'd 4 of their Ships in Balaſt for 6000 Livres each. After we had ſtripp'd the other five of their Tackling, Anchors, and Guns, and put them on board the 4 we kept, we ſet them on fire. We have brought with us 66 of the Dutch; the reſt remain'd on the Iſland or embark'd in the 4 ranſom'd Ships.

London, November 26.

Commadore Kerr, in her Majeſty's Ship the Breda, arriv'd at Plymouth the 22d Inſtant from Jamaica: And ſome report, the Hawk Fireſhip is alſo arriv'd there from thence.

Laſt Night arriv'd the 6 Mails due from Holland. But the Prints not being to be deliver'd out till this Morning, we muſt refer the Account of them to our next.

AT the Theatre Royal in Drury-Lane, this preſent Wedneſday, being the 26th of November, will be Acted a Comedy call'd, The Recruiting Officer. The part of Captain Plume to be Acted by Mr. Powell, Captain Brazen by Mr. Bickerſtaffe, and the part of Serjeant Kite to be perform'd by Mr. Eſtcourt. With Entertainments of Singing and Dancing.

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AT the Queen's Theatre in the Hay-Market, this preſent Wedneſday, being the 26th of November, will be preſented a new Tragedy call'd, The Royal Convert.

Theſe Plays are Sold by J. Knapton at the Crown in St. Paul's Church-yard, and B. Lintott next Nando's Coffee-Houſe, Temple-Bar.

AN Entertainment by Mr. CLINCH of BARNET, who imitates the Flute, Double Curtell, the Organ with 3 Voices, the Horn, Huntſman and Pack of Hounds, the Sham Doctor, the Old Woman, the Drunken Man, the Bells: All Inſtruments are perform'd by his natural Voice. Likewiſe a Comical Dance by him and a Young Man. To be ſeen this preſent Evening at 7 a Clock at the Fountain and Ship Tavern over-againſt the Monument. Price 1s.

Ran away from Dormer Sheppard Eſq; on Milend-Green, on Tueſday the 18th Inſtant, a Black Boy Named Lewis, about 15 Years old, in a Fuſtian Frock with Braſs Buttons, Leathern Britches and Blue Stockings. Whoever gives notice of or ſends him to the ſaid Dormer Sheppard ſhall have Charges paid, and be very well Rewarded beſides. He is ſuſpected to be on Board ſome Ship in the River bound for Guinea or Leghorne. All Perſons are forbid to harbour him at their Peril.

Droot from a Gentlewoman's Watch, on Sunday the 23d Inſtant, a Gentleman's Picture in a Locket. Whoever has found it is deſir'd to bring it to Mr. Baker's, Bookſeller, at Mercer's Chappel in Cheapſide ſhall have a Guinea Reward.

The Annual Feaſt for the Natives of the County of Southampton, will be held on Monday next, the 1ſt of December, at Mercers Hall in Cheapſide. Tickets may be had as mention'd in the Gazette of the 3d Inſtant, and at the Hall Door the Day of the Feaſt. N B. The Worſhipful the Mayor and Corporation of the Town of Southampton, to manifeſt the Reſpect they bear to this Charitable Meeting of their Countrymen, have been pleas'd to ſend up that famous Piece of Antiquity (which has remain'd in their Town many Hundred Years) the Sword of Sir Bevis of Southampton, which is to be carry'd in the Proceſſion from the Church to the Hall.

At the one Black Ball in Holborn-Row, Lincolns-Inn-Fields, the late Dwelling-houſe of Mr. Claret, Painter, are now to be ſeen and Sold his valuable Collection of Pictures. Likewiſe the Houſe ready furniſh'd (except a Back Parlor) is to be Let, with all Conveniencies requiſite for the Entertainment of any Perſon of Quality.

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